FMCSA Systems Release Notice Scheduled for September 28 and 29, 2008

The following updates to the FMCSA Central Applications (A&I, L&I, MCMIS, Query Central and SAFER) are scheduled for release on September 28, 2008. The following updates to the FMCSA Field Applications (Aspen, CAPRI, CaseRite, CDLIS Access, ISS, PIQ, ProVu, SAFETYNET, and UFA) are scheduled for release on September 29, 2008, and can be downloaded from the Information Systems Web site (http://infosys.fmcsa.dot.gov/) at that time.

Note: A script will be distributed to all SAFETYNET sites for applying this update. FMCSA Technical Support will provide a notice when this update has been placed in all SAFETYNET "mailboxes".

A general listing of application enhancements is below. For additional details or if you have questions, please contact the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration (FMCSA) Technical Support team at 617.494.3003 or FMCTechSup@dot.gov.

FMCSA Central Systems

The following updates are scheduled for release on September 28, 2008.

A&I (Analysis and Information Online)

The following changes will be implemented in A&I.

1) Overall enhancements

- Crash Statistics maps will be converted to the new Arcview software and coordinated with geographic information system (GIS) efforts.
- National statistics on Level VI inspections will be displayed by Driver, Power Unit, and Trailer, with the ability to filter by State.

L&I (Licensing and Insurance)

The following changes will be implemented in L&I.

1) Overall enhancements

- Issues that resulted in "page not found" messages and buttons with images being "grayed out" will be resolved.
- The Licensing and Insurance (L&I) section of the FMCSA Portal will be modified to address the earlier 'Size Limit Exceeded' error.

MCMIS (Motor Carrier Management Information System)

The following changes will be implemented in MCMIS.

1) Overall enhancements

 MCMIS will support values of Bulk, Non-Bulk, and Both in the HM Package Type field

- MCMIS will support the Aspen Cargo Seal Removed/Cargo Seal Replaced enhancement.
- MCMIS will support saving data for Performance Based Brake Testing (PBBT).
- Carrier matching enhancements will be implemented.
- Changes to support the higher prioritization of passenger carriers for the SafeStat A/B list will be implemented.
- An issue with updating the MCMIS Census record with uploaded CAPRI data will be corrected.
- The Colonia field width will be increased to 100 characters.
- Updates to the violation table will be made.
- COMPASS-related issues detected in MCMIS database logs and in MCS150 report generation will be resolved.

QC (Query Central)

The following changes will be implemented in Query Central.

- Inspector Notes will be available when viewing a past inspection in Query Central.
- The Carrier's MC/MX number will be included in the Aspen download.
- The Query Central Carrier Snapshot report will display Insurance Status.
- A warning message will be displayed when the entity selected is "Shipper Only".
- Past inspections for vehicles can now be gueried by CVSA sticker number.
- PBBT data will be displayed on inspection reports when applicable.
- The Canadian territory of Nunavut ("NU") will be added to the selection of Canadian provinces and territories on a vehicle query.
- A drop-down list of Mexican states will be added to the Vehicle State/Plate query interface.
- An issue that resulted in 'Size & Weight' printing twice under the "Special Checks" section of the Inspection Report Display will be resolved.
- An issue that resulted in the Query Central Report printing the violation code instead of the regulation citation on the Inspection Report will be resolved.
- Changes will be made to ensure the QC inspection report replicates the Aspen inspection report, including enhanced CVSA sticker reporting and changes to the Special Studies fields.
- More informative carrier Out of Service (OOS) text will be displayed.
- An issue where past inspections for the driver were not returned when searching by Social Security Number in Query Central will be resolved.

SAFER (Safety and Fitness Electronic Records)

The following changes will be implemented in SAFER.

1) Overall enhancements

Numerous changes will be made to support changes to roadside inspection data.

FMCSA Field Systems

The following updates are scheduled for release on September 29, 2008 and will be available for download from the Information Systems Web site (http://infosys.fmcsa.dot.gov/) at that time.

Aspen 2.10

The following changes will be implemented in version 2.10.

- HM Inspection Type will be enhanced to display values for Bulk, Non-Bulk, and Both
- Fields for capturing Cargo Seals Removed and Cargo Seals replaced will be provided for applicable vehicles.
- The "Help" file will be modified to explain the process of removing inspection records from the Aspen database. The Help files related to Level VII inspections and to the OOS Sticker number will be modified. The table of contents for the "Help" feature will be updated.
- An issue with uploading inspections on Mexican Long-Haul carriers with Colonia names up to 100 characters will be resolved.
- A pick-list of UN numbers for Radioactive Materials will be added to assist in populating the proper shipping name.
- The Level VII CVSA Inspection program will be implemented.
- The behavior of the Transport Index and Criticality Safety Index fields will be changed in Level VI inspection to properly format the entered data.
- Level VI inspections will no longer allow both the OOS column and VI OOS column to be marked simultaneously 'Y' for OOS for a given violation record.
- When the vehicle is required to have automatic slack adjusters an advisory will appear on the Driver/Vehicle Examination Report for inspections with brake adjustment violations.
- Aspen will now collect PBBT brake efficiency measurements and will support applicable violations and logic.
- The Vehicle Make look-up table will be replaced in order to re-baseline the table. Several new manufacturers will be added.
- The Special Studies fields will be enhanced. Ten (10) Special Studies fields will be available, and each will have a standard length of 40 characters.
- An issue that caused the Custom State list to display improperly when the Custom State list was defined with states from two countries will be fixed.

- Two fields will be added to the Finish tab -- 'Existing CVSA Decal Status' and 'Existing CVSA Decal #:' -- which will be used to record existing CVSA Decal data during an inspection. The previously existing decal field will now be labeled 'CVSA Decal Issued #:' and will be used to record any new decal issued as the result of an inspection.
- MC/MX numbers will be added to carrier data imported from Query Central (QC).
- The pop-up message prompting users to enter the existing CVSA decal in the Inspection Notes will be removed. This field is no longer needed as Aspen will record the number and status of existing CVSA decals.
- Maximum values for L-24 and L-24* will be swapped in the look-up table.
- The public version of Aspen 2.10 will be created and released shortly after September 29, 2008 in accordance with the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA).

CAPRI (Compliance Analysis and Performance Review Information) 6.7

The following changes will be implemented in version 6.7.

1) Overall enhancements

- A new Review type (Safety Audit/SCR) will be added.
- A potential rating on the non-ratable Comprehensive Safety Analysis 2010 (CSA 2010) review type will be generated.
- The table of violations report will be uploaded to the Electronic Document Management System (EDMS).
- CSA 2010 Phase I causal factors, remedies, and reasons for review will be applied.
- The Household Goods (HHG) Worksheet for violation 375.519b will be corrected.
- Various division office addresses will be updated.
- The text at the bottom of the Part B Reports will be updated.
- The public version of CAPRI 6.7 will be created and released shortly after September 29, 2008 in accordance with the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA).

CaseRite 3.9

The following changes will be implemented in version 3.9.

- Users will be able to start a new case from Aspen when the Status Code is "T" (transferred).
- Notice of Claim (NOC) changes will be added.
- Charge and abatement changes will be applied.
- New Applicable Statutes language, including the OOS Applicable Statutes language, will be added.
- The word wrap function in Uniform Fine Assessment (UFA) Notes on the UFA Report will be fixed.
- Issues that resulted in CaseRite not printing the "R" (recordkeeping) as the type
 of violation on page 3 of the NOC will be resolved.

CDLIS (Commercial Driver's License Information System) Access 3.4.3

The following changes will be implemented in version 3.4.3.

1) Overall enhancements

- An issue that caused an 'Invalid use of keyword' error when a driver's name contained an apostrophe will be fixed.
- The Canadian territory of Nunavut ("NU") will be added to the selection of Canadian states and provinces on a driver query.

ISS (Inspection Selection System) 2.12.3

The following changes will be implemented in version 2.12.3.

1) Overall enhancements

- An issue that caused the one and two month data refreshes to become nonfunctional will be fixed.
- An explanation of the "Shipper Only" pop-up language will be added to the "Help" file
- ISS now displays a Deficient BASIC alert in a pop-up window.

PIQ (Past Inspection Query) 2.10

The following changes will be implemented in version 2.10.

1) Overall enhancements

- The Aspen/SAFETYNET VIN validation routine will be applied to PIQ queries.
- Changes will be made in the PIQ inspection report, based on changes made to the Aspen inspection report. These changes include:
 - Inspector Notes will be available in PIQ and will be combined with the Special Studies fields into one report.
 - PBBT inspections will be added.
 - Five (5) Special Studies fields will be added. All 10 Special Studies fields will be increased to 40 characters in length.
 - The new field 'Existing CVSA Decal #:' will display on the PIQ report.

ProVu 3.1.3

The following changes will be implemented in version 3.1.3.

1) Overall enhancements

• The Country Name based on the Country Code provided in the profile will be displayed.

SAFETYNET 3.6

The following changes will be implemented in version 3.6.

1) Overall enhancements

- Extra spaces in the "HM 4-digit Number" field of the crash module will be deleted.
- HM Package type field will allow for values of Bulk, Non-Bulk, and Both.
- Fields to capture Cargo Seal Removed and Cargo Seal Replaced will be added.
- The CVSA Level VII Inspection program will be implemented.
- Enhancements to the Carrier Matching algorithm will be implemented.
- Fields for gathering data from a PBBT inspection and indicating violations resulting from these inspections will be provided.
- An advisory will appear on the Driver/Vehicle Examination Report for inspections with brake adjustment violations when the vehicle is required to have automatic slack adjusters.
- A change will be made to the Inspector Profile Workload Report.
- Vehicle Make codes will be updated.
- Issues with the Crash Facsimile Report will be resolved.
- An issue with violation counts on the SAFETYNET Report will be resolved.
- A spelling error in the Inspection and Crash module ("labelled") will be corrected.
- The Special Study fields will be enhanced. There are now 10 available, and each has a standard length of 40 characters.
- The number and status of existing CVSA decals at inspection will be captured.
- The width of the Colonia field will be increased to 100 characters.
- The display values for the long-stroke brake chamber measurements will be revised to ensure consistency.
- The "Help" file will be updated to include information for the pre-authority safety audit (PASA) Inspection indicator.

UFA (Uniform Fine Assessment) 3.2

The following changes will be implemented in version 3.2.

- An employee (i.e., driver, dispatcher) penalty assessment model will be incorporated into UFA. This model will use nine statutory factors to consistently apply a penalty that is based on the facts of the situation.
- Users will be able to select either the State or the Federal version of the same violation type (from CAPRI).
- Proportional fine reductions will be added to Household Goods (HHG).

- An issue with violations (with a secondary selected) entered directly into UFA not appearing on the UFA report will be resolved.
- All primary violations will also be able to be selected as secondary.
- Users will no longer be able to edit the Violation Category on the Criteria page.
- An issue with Safety/HM cases on the Fines page will be resolved.
- The "Help" file will be updated to define new screens and buttons.
- A Non-Recordkeeping Commercial Category (NRCC) will be added to allow CaseRite to print the correct commercial statutes on the NOC.
- The public version of UFA 3.2 will be created and released shortly after September 29, 2008 in accordance with the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA).